



Mr. Kenneth Leon Downey

June 11, 1951 - July 15, 2016

Kenneth Leon Downey was born on June 11, 1951, to the union of Joseph and Maxine (Robinson) Downey in Chicago, Illinois. He received his formal education at North Division High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He furthered his education at Milwaukee Area Technical college, graduating with an Associates Degree in Computer Science. Kenneth accepted Christ at an early age and attended Cannan Missionary Baptist Church.

On May 15, 1967, Kenneth became a father of twins, Randy Jones of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Ronnie Jones of Saint Paul, Minnesota. Kenneth met and married the love of his life, Virginia Katherine (Miller) on January 19, 1974. Their union was blessed with three children, Lamont, Lisa and Kenneth.

He was employed by Marquette Electronics as a Computer Technician. In his leisure, Kenneth enjoyed working with electronics, building and constructing furniture out of wood. He was an avid pool player. In his younger days, he enjoyed playing basketball and riding his ten speed bike. In the last three months of his life he spent much of his time creating a legacy of puzzles that have been framed and shared amongst family. Most of all he loved seeing and playing with his grandchildren.

Kenneth struggled with heart disease for a great deal of his life, hoping to receive an earthly heart. On July 15, 2016, Kenneth departed this life and received his new Heavenly heart. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Maxine Downey; two brothers, Bobby Robinson and John Downey, and two sisters, Carolyn Downey and Sharon Downey.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife of forty-two years, Virginia Downey; sisters, Rosemary (Thomas) Humphrey of Tunica, Ms. Rita Wainwright and Dana McCant both of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; children, Randy, Ronnie, Lamont (Darshell), Lisa (Terrence) and Kenneth (Chela); thirteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Forest Home Cemetery

2405 W. Forest Home
Milwaukee, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Westside Baptist Church
2201 N. 35th Street
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Service

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